

The engrossed bill directing the manner in which constables shall be appointed in this State, was read the third time. Mr. Edwards moved to amend the bill by adding at the end thereof the following proviso, to wit: "Provided further, however, that all existing laws which render justices of the peace, who shall take said bond, liable in cases of securities being insufficient, be and they are hereby repealed;" which was not agreed to. Mr. Mendenhall moved to amend the bill by adding an additional section; which was read and agreed to. Mr. Skinner, of Pasquotank, moved further to amend the bill by adding the following as an additional section, to wit: "Be it further enacted, that the provisions of this act shall not extend to the county of Pasquotank;" which amendment was not agreed to. Mr. Edwards moved that the bill be referred to the committee on the Judiciary; which was not agreed to. Mr. Skinner, of Chowan, moved that the further consideration of the said bill be indefinitely postponed; which was not agreed to—ayes 23, noes 38. The ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Stedman, are as follows, to wit:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are Messrs. Burns, Caldwell, Collins, Edwards, Faison, Foy, Hinton, Howell, Jones, Kendall, Martin of Richmond, Meares, Mebane, Moye of Greene, Moye of Pitt, Skinner of Perquimons, Skinner of Chowan, Skinner of Pasquotank, Smaw, Spaight, Stone, Vann, Walton.

Those who voted in the negative, are Messrs. Arrington, Beard, Brittain of Burke, Brittain of Macon, Clayton, Cooper, Dobson, Elliott, Flowers, Gavin, Hall, Hogan, Hoke, Hussey, Kerr, Klutts, Lindsey, M'Cormick, Mann, Martin of Rockingham, Matthews, Melvin, Mendenhall, Montgomery, Moore, Morris, Morrison, Murchison, Nash, Phillips, Pugh, Sherard, Shuford, Simmons, Sitton, Stedman, Vanhook, Wilder.

The question then recurring on the passage of the bill the third time, it was decided in the affirmative, and a message sent to the House of Commons asking their concurrence in the amendments.

Received from the House of Commons a message, stating their concurrence in the proposition of the Senate, that the communication of his Excellency the Governor on the subject of the militia, be referred, with the accompanying documents, to a joint select committee of three members on the part of each House, and stating that Messrs. Marsteller, Cotten and M'Cleese form the committee on the part of that House. Whereupon Messrs. Arrington, Moye, of Pitt, and Dobson were appointed to form the committee on the part of the Senate, and the House of Commons was informed thereof by message.

The bill to authorise Joseph S. Jones to inspect certain records, and to make extracts therefrom, was read the second and third times and passed, and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill to regulate the inspection of staves and heading in the port of Wilmington, and to prevent shipping the refuse, was read the second time and passed.

The Senate then proceeded to take up and consider the bill to establish a Bank in the State of North Carolina. The question pending being on concurring in the several amendments reported by the chairman of the committee of the whole House; and the amendments having been read, Mr. Montgomery moved to amend the twelfth section by striking out the words "twenty five cents," and inserting the words